

CUERO HERITAGE MUSEUM BOARD MEETING

12:00 – 1:00 PM, Cuero Heritage Museum

Tuesday, June 05, 2018

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wayne Adickes. Those present were members Jessie Mathis, Eric Basaldua, the Reverend A. L. Taylor, Joe L. Sheppard, Gerald Zengerle, Joe Reuss, Candy Henderson, Cynthia Lawyer, Guy Dolan, consultant Liz Heiser and museum manager Amber Fitts.

Many thanks were given to Joe Sheppard for providing a delicious lunch with a variety of sandwiches and all the condiments.

Minutes: Candy moved that the minutes for May be accepted. Jessie seconded the motion and it passed.

Financials: Wayne reported that we are still on budget. He also reported that the city will be giving us another \$15,000 per quarter due to the rising of hotel/motel taxes. More good news is that the two museum stores have made \$2,780 this year and we have had cash donations of \$2,780.

Museum Board: Wayne announced that he will be retiring as Chairman of the Board effective October 01, 2018. He wants to remain a board member and continue with the several projects on which he is now working. He asked the board to be ready with nominations for chairman at the next meeting.

Advertising: Amber suggested that we once again advertise in the Discover Magazine which is included in the Victoria Advocate once a year. It is also distributed to hotels and other newsstands. The cost is \$1500 and it was agreed to go forward with this.

Meetings with Mayor: Wayne requested that more board members attend the Coffee With the Mayor meetings in the future. The Mayor is very supportive of CHM and PMMT. The next Coffee will be on July 10 at 9:30 a.m. at Chisholm Trail Museum.

Cuero Heritage Museum:

School Visits: Amber reported that Cuero gifted and talented students from Kindergarten through Fifth grades visited CHM and PMMT recently. The staff was impressed with their inquisitiveness and their thoughtful questions, making it a real joy to have them.

World War I Presentation Update: Steve Waldrop was not in attendance, but he recently showed Wayne what he has completed and Wayne reported that it is spectacular. Steve needs a few more items from some board members, then he will be ready for a presentation to the board at next meeting.

Exhibits: The Polly Howerton and Martha Sawyers exhibits are now on display. There will soon be an announcement in the Cuero Record.

The plan to raffle one of the Howerton paintings is still on. It was agreed to sell tickets for \$5.00 each and hold the drawing during Turkeyfest Weekend in October. Amber will see to getting the tickets made.

Upstairs Cabinet: Due to the continuing increase in the number of reamers being donated to CHM, there will be a new cabinet installed upstairs. Also, an upstairs bathroom is being updated.

Pharmacy & Medical Museum of Texas:

Iron Lung Reception: The reception is set for June 14 from 4 to 6 p.m. The CEO of TIRR will be in attendance along with several Vice Presidents and the head of marketing. Also to attend is the author of the book on polio/iron lungs that helped Steve and his committee find the Lung. The board is encouraged to attend. Guy and his mother have agreed to provide the food for the reception.

Canopy Damage: Wayne reported that both corners of the canopy on the front of PMMT have rotted and are drooping. Bids will be taken for repair. Guy has a recommendation for someone to do the work.

Dental Chair: There was a misunderstanding with the Nordheim museum with regards to dental donations and we will not be getting a chair from them. Therefore the chair from the old Grunder dental office on Main Street will be used and needs to be moved to PMMT. The second floor dental office is now ready for the chair and there was a discussion on how best to get it moved. It was agreed that a city crew would be needed.

Civil War Operating Table: Joe R is donating this table which has been handed down in his family. It is very large but not heavy and there was a discussion on how best to get it upstairs. He also has a 24 foot bookshelf that will be put upstairs.

Cabinet Modification: A cabinet from the former Booten & Kunitz Drug, that used to be housed in part of the Wagner Building, will have the doors modified and be used for displays on the second floor. Wayne pointed out that with the addition of this cabinet, PMMT now has cabinets from all pharmacies that have operated in Cuero.

Old Business: No old business.

New Business: No new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cynthia Lawyer
Secretary